

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOSE PALEO,

Defendant.

CASE NO. **2:22-cr-00180-LK**

DETENTION ORDER

The Court has conducted a detention hearing under 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and concludes there are no conditions which the defendant can meet which would reasonably assure the defendant's appearance as required or the safety of any other person and the community.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

Defendant is charged with drug trafficking offense. The government proffered that Defendant is a large methamphetamine distributor. The government avers that between January 2021, and October 2022, agents conducted a number of searches establishing that Defendant is involved in a drug trafficking organization that has trafficked in significant amounts of methamphetamine, heroin, fentanyl and cocaine. Agents also seized a significant amount of drug proceeds (over 1.8 million dollars) and numerous firearms. *See* Dkt. 55. On October 25, 2022, Defendant was arrested in California and made his initial appearance in the Central District. Defendant was interviewed by the pretrial services office and the office was unable to verify any

1 of Defendant's information. California licensing information indicates Defendant has no license
2 in that state; he also is unlicensed in Washington. Defendant was contacted by immigration
3 enforcement in September 2022 and attempted to flee. He is currently pending removal.
4 Defendant's criminal history indicates a first contact with law enforcement in 2011. Since then,
5 he has been convicted of battery of a spouse; taking a motor vehicle; auto theft; and obstruction,
6 evading a police officer and driving without a license. Defendant is also associated with several
7 aliases and at the time of his arrest, he was in a residence that he shared with a co-defendant.
8 Agents found two loaded assault type rifles, two pistols and a closet of ammunition. Defendant
9 did not contest detention.

10 t is therefore **ORDERED**:

11 (1) Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the
12 Attorney General for confinement in a correctional facility separate, to the extent practicable,
13 from persons awaiting or serving sentences, or being held in custody pending appeal;

14 (2) Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with
15 counsel;

16 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the
17 Government, the person in charge of the correctional facility in which Defendant is confined
18 shall deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in
19 connection with a court proceeding; and
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1 (4) The Clerk shall provide copies of this order to all counsel, the United States
2 Marshal, and to the United States Probation and Pretrial Services Officer.

3 DATED this 9th day of January, 2023.

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6 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA
7 United States Magistrate Judge
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